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DEPT PLEASE PASS WHITE HOUSE FOR DR. FRANK PRESS

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SUBJECT: SCIENCE COMMITTEE: DR. PRESS' PARTICIPATION IN
20TH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE

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1. IN REGARD TO PARA 3, REF A, THE OPPORTUNITY FOR DR.
PRESS TO MAKE STATEMENT AND READ PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE WILL
COME AT FINAL SESSION WHEN SYG LUNS CALLS FOR RESPONSES
FROM THE CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS. BECAUSE THE AGENDA IS
DEVOTED ENTIRELY TO SUBSTANTIVE SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS,NO TIME
HAS BEEN RESERVED FOR CEREMONIAL SPEECHES. RATHER, THE
INTERNATIONAL STAFF (IS) OF THE NATO SCIENCE DIVISION
TENTATIVELY ENVISIONS SYG LUNS INVITING THREE PARTICIPANTS
(E.G. NORTH AMERICAN, EC-NINE REPRESENTATIVE, ANOTHER
EUROPEAN) TO MAKE A STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE THEMES AND
ISSUES DEVELOPED DURING THE CONFERENCE, ESPECIALLY IN LAST
SESSION DEVOTED TO "SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND THE ALLIANCE-
THE FUTURE" WHEN CLEVELAND, DEROSE, EDWARDS AND PESTEL WILL
SPEAK. THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF ESTIMATES THAT SUCH RESPONSES
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SHOULD TAKE NO LONGER THAN FIVE MINUTES EACH.

2. IN ORDER TO GET CLEARER IDEA OF LIKELY THEMES AND ISSUES
THAT WILL BE DISCUSSED IN FINAL CONFERENCE SESSION, IS
OFFICIALS WILL CONSULT PERSONALLY WITH CLEVELAND, DEROSE,
EDWARDS AND PESTEL IN NEAR FUTURE. WE ARE IN CLOSE TOUCH
WITH IS MEMBERS AND AFTER THEIR CONSULTATIONS, WE SHALL

REPORT ON POINTS LIKELY TO EMERGE DURING CONFERENCE.

3. IN GENERAL, WE THINK THAT DR. PRESS' STATEMENT SHOULD RESPOND STRONGLY AND POSITIVELY TO CONFERENCE THEMES AND ISSUES THAT U.S. WISHES TO HIGHLIGHT AND PERHAPS INDICATE, IN PRELIMINARY WAY, WHAT WE BELIEVE ARE PRIORITY GOALS AND DIRECTION FOR FUTURE SCIENCE COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES.

4. IN REGARD TO THE PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE, WE THINK IT MIGHT REFER TO PAST ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE NATO SCIENCE COMMITTEE, ESPECIALLY ITS SUCCESS IN STRENGTHENING TRANS-ATLANTIC SCIENTIFIC COLLABORATION AND POLITICAL TIES, AND NOTE THAT THE IMPACT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ON SOCIETY PRESENTS US WITH CHALLENGES THAT DEMAND IN THE YEARS AHEAD REDEDICATED COMMITMENT TO THE ORIGINAL SCIENCE COMMITTEE GOAL OF FOSTERING INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION.
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